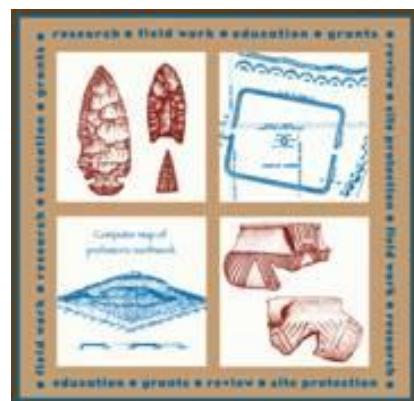




Archaeology News



- *from the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology (DHPA)* *April 2013*

- **New Arrival-** Congratulations go to our fellow Archaeology Team member Rachel Sharkey on the recent birth of her second daughter. Amelia was born at the end of February, and the family is doing great.
- **Archaeological Site of the Month-** The Smith-Sutton Site (12-Cl-130 and 12-Cl-942) is a Falls Mississippian village with a central plaza, residential zone and surrounding screening wall located in a unique upland setting in Clark County. This site contains both a high degree of integrity and context, and it has the potential to contain important information about the prehistory of not only Clark County but of southern Indiana. The site enhances our understanding of Indiana's history and archaeological record, specifically regarding the Falls Mississippian expression. On April 10, 2012, the site was listed in the National Register of Historic Places. To learn more, go to the Arnold et al. article in the 2012 *Indiana Archaeology* journal, <http://www.in.gov/dnr/historic/files/hp-archeojournalvol7num12012.pdf>.
- **DHPA Presentation-** At the Indiana Archaeology Council Spring Workshop in April (see paragraph below), DHPA representatives Jeannie Regan-Dinius and Rachel Sharkey will introduce SHAARD GIS, an interactive map that it is connected to the Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology's online database – State Historic Architecture and Archaeology Resource Database (SHAARD). This connection allows for quick access to site forms, cemetery records, and structure cards in addition to any photos or PDF's related to the site. This presentation will show the basics of accessing and using SHAARD GIS for background research. A brief overview of the SHAARD program and its recent upgrades will also be included.
- **Professional Development-** Senior Archaeologist Amy Johnson will be attending the Indiana Archaeology Council's Spring Workshop on April 20-21, at the Taylor Center of Natural History in Noblesville and the Indiana State Museum in Indianapolis. The theme



for the workshop is *The Tempered Past: Prehistoric Ceramics of the Midcontinent*, and interesting presentations and posters are planned. The workshop is open to the public. To learn more, go to <http://www.indianaarchaeology.org/> or contact Kim Smith at kimberly.smith@amec.com.

- **Outreach-** On April 8th, 2013 at 7 P.M., State Archaeologist Dr. Rick Jones will be giving a presentation titled *The Archaeology of Lawrence County*, at the Lawrence County Museum of History, Bedford, Indiana. To learn more, go to http://www.lawrencecountyhistory.org/jm/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=61&Itemid=93.
- **HPF grant presentation-** Senior Archaeologist and Archaeology Outreach Coordinator Amy Johnson will attend the public presentation by representatives of the Applied Archaeology Laboratories (Ball State University) at the Hartford City Public Library on April 16th. The presentation, sponsored by the Blackford County Historical Society, will summarize the goals, methods and results from the project, an archaeological survey of hundreds of acres of land in southern Blackford County. This project was funded in part by a grant from the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service's Historic Preservation fund (HPF), administered by the DHPA. For more information about the presentation, contact the Blackford County Historical Society, Sinuard Castelo at 765/348-3103 or sinuardcastelo3@gmail.com.



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